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Date: Apr. 18, 2004 By: Chick Bann

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**PATENT**

Applicant(s):	Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.	Docket No.:	29288.4600
Inventors(s):	Umekage et al.	U.S. Filing Date:	March 29, 2002
Serial No.:	10/019,418	Art Unit:	2855
TITLE:	FLOWMETER	Examiner:	Corey D. Mack

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Assistant Commissioner:

Applicant timely responds to the Office Action dated March 9, 2004, within the one month time period. Please consider the following amendments and remarks: